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Dear F.C.C.

I am a Amateur Extra class license holder and a active VE, I am concerned with what is going to happen to the Novice / Tech. plus license class's and in general all the license class's. I think that the people who worked hard to get there 5 word per minute (element 1A) code requirement should not be lost in the wood work but be grand fathered to the higher code level. Allot of the Tech. Plus's took the old General class element for there Tech. license before the no code came about and were only missing the element 1B 13 WPM code requirement from having there General license.

I believe Novices should have the same Code credit but take the Now Element 3A and 3B to become General class, and Tech. plus should only have to take the written element 3B just to be on the safe side. My other thoughts are that we do need to keep the 20 WPM (element 1C) for no other reason then to be qualified to give the Code test for the Commercial telegraphy exam.

I believe it is a excellent idea to let the Advanced class give up to the General exams and it maybe a good idea to give them the authority to give the Advanced class as well. I live in a small rural area and we have lost 3 of our Extra class VE in the last couple of years and so when I do VE testing I have to use Advanced class Amateurs to help and be part of the VE team, when we have to license the upper class license's we have to have Extra class VE's come for 150 miles away.

My opinion is that we should reduce the code requirement to be the same as other nations for the equivalent HF requirements as our General class and keep the element 1C code requirement Hi enough so we won't loose the integrity we need when CE testing for the General radio Telegraph license.

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